SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1825

A RESOLUTION congratulating and commending Kandy Trotnic.

WHEREAS, Kandy Trotnic, of Parsons and a student at Labette County High School, has achieved national recognition for exemplary volunteer service by receiving a 2003 Prudential Spirit of Community Award and an engraved bronze medallion; and

WHEREAS, This prestigious award, presented by Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals, honors young volunteers across America who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to serving their communities. More than 24,000 high school and middle school students participated in this year's program which is now in its eighth year; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Trotnic earned this award by giving generously of her time and energy to help Cory Smith, who has Paroxysmal Nocturnal Hemoblobinuria, or PNH, a rare blood disease known to affect only three children in the world. She participated in a benefit concert held for Cory by the "CARES 4 Cory" organization in its endeavor to raise funds to enable Cory to receive a bone marrow transplant. She raised \$100 for Cory to have some spending money by encouraging students at school to donate spare change. As student body president she collected over 400 letters which she forwarded to the Oprah Winfrey show hoping to have Cory appear on her television show. Additionally she has spent two years with Youth Friends Corps, an organization designed to tutor young students, and four years as a worker at the annual Kansas Kids Fitness Day; and

WHEREAS, The success of the state of Kansas, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Ms. Trotnic who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas: That we congratulate and commend Ms. Trotnic as a recipient of a Prudential Spirit of Community Award, recognize her outstanding record of volunteer service, peer leader-ship and community spirit, and extend best wishes for her continued success and happiness; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of the Senate provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to Kandy Trotnic and one to her parents, Rick and Vickie Trotnic, both at 5305 Main Street, Parsons, KS 67357; a copy to her grandparents, John and Joan Harris, 2720 Pine Street, Parsons, KS 67357; a copy to Greg Cartwright, Principal, Labette County High School, 601 S. High School Street, Altamont, KS 67330-0407 for presentation to Ms. Trotnic plus a copy to Senator Umbarger.

Senate Resolution No. 1825 was sponsored by Senator Dwayne Umbarger.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.